

## **JUDGES - Contributory**

### **Retirement Eligibility Requirements**

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#### **SERVICE RETIREMENT**

##### **Regular or Vested/Deferred Retirement**

“Judge”: a justice of the supreme court; a judge of the intermediate appellate court, circuit court, or a district court, or a district family court judge of the State of Hawaii.

##### ***Hired as a Judge Before July 1, 1999***

- Any age with 10 years of credited service
- Service maybe a combination of contributory and noncontributory

##### ***Hired as a Judge After June 30, 1999***

- Age 55 with 5 years of credited service or 25 years of credited service with an age reduction if under age 55
- Service maybe a combination of contributory and noncontributory
- Age reduction factors:
  - 5% for each year below age 55
  - 4% for each year below age 50
  - 3% for each year below age 45
  - 2% for each year below age 40

#### **DISABILITY RETIREMENT**

##### **Ordinary Disability Retirement**

- Still employed or on an approved leave of absence when application filed
- 10 years of credited service
- Determined to be permanently disabled due to natural causes by the ERS Medical Board

##### **Service Connected Disability Retirement**

- No minimum service requirement
- No minimum age requirement
- Determined to be permanently disabled for your job by the ERS Medical Board due to an accident at work which was not due to your willful negligence
- Application must be filed within 2 years of the accident or the date worker's compensation benefits stop

***Note: You cannot use your unused sick leave credits to meet service credit eligibility requirements for retirement.***